FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

16 CFR Part 419

Games of Chance in the Food Retailing and Gasoline Industries, Proposed Amendment of Trade Regulation Rule

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission.

ACTION: Reopening of the rulemaking record and request for comment from the public.

SUMMARY: The Presiding Officer has directed that the rulemaking record in the above-captioned proceeding be reopened. Interested persons and members of the public are invited to submit written comment on any issue of fact, law, or policy which may have some bearing on the proposed amendments.

DATES: Written comments will be received until September 25, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to Henry B. Cabell, Presiding Officer, Federal Trade Commission, 6th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20580.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Henry B. Cabell (Presiding Officer), 202–326–3642, or John M. Mendenhall (Assistant Regional Director, Cleveland Regional Office), 216–522–4210.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On July 7, 1988, the Commission announced the commencement of a proceeding to consider proposed amendments to the Games of Chance in the Food Retailing and Gasoline Industries Trade Regulation Rule, 16 CFR part 419, and published in the **Federal Register** (53 FR 25503) its Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and invited written comment on the proposals. In response to the notice, written submissions were received and the record was closed on September 6, 1988. A public hearing was not held because none of the interested persons expressed a desire for one. By motion dated July 13, 1995, the Commission staff requested the Presiding Officer to reopen the rulemaking record for additional comment in order to permit the receipt of timely and current information preparatory to its completion of the final staff report containing its recommendations to the Commission. Because of the length of time this proceeding has been pending, the Presiding Officer granted the motion.

In the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking the Commission sent out 24 questions which it urged interested persons to consider in their respective comments. See 53 FR 25503 at 25505–06. In the main these questions inquired as to the effect of the proposed amendments.

Although not required, those questions may be used as a framework for comments submitted in response to this notice. In addition both the staff and the Presiding Officer request specific comments on Question 23, which asks if there is a continuing need for the Rule, and Question 24, which asks if any other modifications of the Rule are appropriate.

Copies of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking issued on July 7, 1988, may be obtained from the Public Reference Room (Room 130), Federal Trade Commission, 6th and Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20580. Telephone 202–326–2222.

The Commission has not yet reviewed the rulemaking record in this proceeding nor has it determined the nature or extent of any action it may take with respect to the Rule. Any decision by the Commission in this matter will be based solely upon the contents of the rulemaking record, including the material submitted in response to this notice.

List of Subjects in 16 CFR Part 419

Advertising, Foods, Gambling, Gasoline, Trade practices.

Henry B. Cabell,

Presiding Officer.

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